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as the emergency effective date, it shall be deemed denied.

- (3) Contents of petition for stay and petition for an emergency effective date. A petition for stay or for an emergency effective date shall be in writing. Material factual allegations shall be supported by an affidavit or other sworn statement unless the parties stipulate that the material facts are not in dispute.
- (4) Response. Within five days of the service of the petition, a party may file in opposition to the petition. Material factual allegations shall be supported by an affidavit or other sworn statement unless the parties stipulate that the material facts are not in dispute.
- (c) Standards for determining petitions for a stay or an emergency effective date petition. In reviewing petitions filed under this seciton, the Comission shall consider:
- (1) The likelihood that a challenge to the merits of the decision will be successful; and
- (2) The likelihood that the denial of the petition would result in irreparable harm to the petitioner; and
- (3) The effect a grant of the petition would have on the opposing party; and
- (4) The effect a grant or denial of the petition would have on the public interest.
- (d) Expedited consideration. If, in its view, it is necessary to protect the petitioner's right to a meaningful determination of the issues raised in the petition, the Commission may act upon a petition for a stay or for an emergency effective date prior to its receipt of an opposing party's response. Any party aggrieved by such expedited consideration may seek reconsideration within seven days of service of the decision.

§ 171.23 Notice of appeal.

(a) Time to file. Any party aggrieved by the final decision of the National Futures Association in a disciplinary, membership denial or registration action may, within thirty days of the National Futures Association's service of the notice described in §171.21, file a notice of appeal with the Proceedings Clerk. The filing of such a notice shall not stay the effective date of the decision

- (b) Contents. The notice of appeal shall consist of a brief statement indicating that the party is requesting Commission review of an action of the National Futures Association. It should identify:
- (1) The name and address of the person appealing and, if represented, the name and address of his representative;
- (2) The case name and docket number of the National Futures Association proceeding; and
 - (3) The date of the decision.
- (c) Filing fee. Each notice of appeal must be accompanied by a nonrefundable filing fee of \$100. This amount may be paid by check, bank draft or money order, payable to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.
- (d) Defective notices of appeal. Notices of appeal that are untimely or not accompanied by the filing fee shall not be accepted by the Proceedings Clerk absent a showing, by motion, of excusable neglect.

§171.24 Submission of the record.

Within thirty days after service of a notice of appeal, the National Futures Association shall file with the Proceedings Clerk two copies of the record of the proceeding (as defined by §171.2(k)). The record shall be bound as a unit, chronologically indexed and tabbed, and certified as correct by a duly authorized official, agent or employee of the National Futures Asssociation. The National Futures Association shall serve on the party appealing, in lieu of the record, a copy of the index of the record and a copy of any document in the record not previously served on the party appealing. If the party appealing objects to the materials included or excluded in preparing the record, he shall file his objections with his brief on appeal. The Commission may, at any time, direct that an omission or misstatement be corrected and, if necessary, that a supplemental record be prepared and filed.

§171.25 Appeal brief.

(a) *Time to file*. Any person who has filed a notice of appeal in accordance with the provisions of §171.23, shall perfect the appeal by filing an appeal brief with the Proceedings Clerk within thirty days after service of the record by